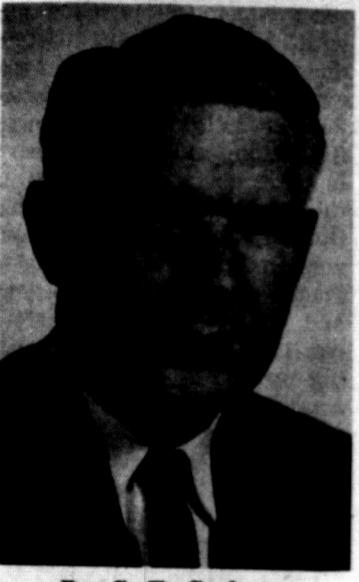


State Rally For Brotherhood Set



Dr. Baker J. Cauthen



Dr. C. E. Carlson

Baptist men from every section of the state are expected to fill the auditorium of the First Baptist Church in Jackson for the closing session of the annual State Brotherhood Rally.

Rev. E. L. Howell, state Brotherhood secretary, said

Medical Missions Conference Slated

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is sponsoring a Medical Missions Conference to be held at the Baptist Hospital in Jackson, on October 29 and 30. The opening session will begin at 7 on Friday evening, and conferences will be held all day Saturday.

The Medical Missions Con-

1966 T. U. Week

Is Planned

The promise of five new manuals by September of next year has prompted the planning of a state-wide study of Training Union methods in October 1966, according to Kermit S. King, Director of the Mississippi Training Union Department.

This department promotion, Training Union Improvement Week, anticipates that each association will schedule a central training school or group training schools during the month of October providing from within the association its own teachers.

In regional teaching clinics in five centrally located churches in the state individuals who will be teaching in their own associations or churches will be taught both the content of the new books and teaching techniques with demonstrations of teaching aids and learner involvement procedures.

The new manuals which are being written by members of the Training Union Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board will contain the latest concepts of the church's ministry of training as well as the latest methods of Training Union work. They are being prepared for Junior, Intermediate, and Young People's workers, Adult union members, and General Officers.

Special guides will be prepared by members of the Mississippi Training Union Department to accompany the current manuals for Nursery, Beginner, and Primary workers and for Junior and Intermediate boys and girls so that conferences for everyone enrolled in Training Union may be provided for during Training Union Improvement Week.

Authors Listed
The authors of the books
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the annual Rally would be held Monday, Nov. 15, the day prior to the opening of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, with afternoon and evening sessions scheduled.

The visiting principal speaker for the closing evening session, to begin at 7:15 o'clock, will be Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board and Dr. C. E. Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, Washington, D. C.

Music director for the Rally will be Tommy Howard, minister of music for the First Baptist Church, Crystal Springs.

Special music for the evening session will be rendered by the 80-voice choir of the Magnolia Street Baptist Church, Laurel, under direction of Billy Souther, Jr.

The Rally will begin at the host church at 3:00 p.m. with Frank Black, an associate in the Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, as the principal visiting speaker.

A feature will be the showing of pictures by Kirby Miller, a Royal Ambassador member of Van Winkle Baptist Church in Jackson, of his mission tour to Guatemala, with emphasis on R. A. and missionary education.

At 5:20 p.m., between the two session of the Rally, the annual state Brotherhood banquet will be held at the Masonic Temple with 600 men expected.

Master of ceremonies will be Dr. L. Gordon Sansing, secretary of evangelism of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Rev. E. L. Howell, state

Brotherhood secretary, said

ference is designed for persons interested in Christian missions and the healing sciences, and is planned for students and practitioners of the medical profession, including medical students, dental students, students in hospital administration, physicians, student nurses, registered nurses, students in a paramedical school or department, and junior or senior pre-med students.

Program features will include missionary messages, professional discussion groups, visual presentations, symposiums, conversations, and personal conferences.

Among the conference personnel are the following persons: Miss Edna Frances Dawkins, associate secretary for missionary personnel for the Foreign Mission Board, who carries the major responsibility for recruiting professional personnel for the Board's medical projects overseas; Miss Wanda Ponder, missionary to Paraguay, who directs the School of Nursing affiliated with the Baptist Hospital in Asuncion; Miss Everley Hayes, missionary nurse, who is operating room supervisor and first assistant in surgery at the Baptist hospital in Kediri, Java, Indonesia, and who teaches in the affiliated nursing school, performs general nursing duties, and serves as hospital treasurer; Dr. Jack E. Walker, missionary to East Africa, who is director of the 120-bed Baptist Tuberculosis Hospital in Mbeya, Tanzania; and Miss Lawanda Couch,

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FMB Sets Budget, Names Officers

CATHOLIC AND PRESBYTERIAN GIVE TO BAPTIST COLLEGE

BOILING SPRINGS, N. C. (BP) — Can you top this—a Catholic and a Presbyterian trying to see who can give the most to a Baptist college neither had heard of or seen. Who started it? A Lutheran, Charles Mauney of Kings Mountain, N. C., area chairman for the \$125,000 fund drive for Gardner-Webb College at Boiling Springs, N. C. Jokingly, Mauney approached Harold R. Domenico, a Catholic and Richard R. Hawkins, a Presbyterian. To his amazement, each agreed to give \$150.

Then Domenico thought about the Presbyterian's gift being equal to his and upped his pledge to \$300. Learning of this, the Presbyterian raised his to \$501.

CONGRESS APPROVES COLLEGE AID BILL

WASHINGTON (BP) — A major education bill cleared the U. S. Congress and awaits President Johnson's signature to become law. Both the Senate and the House of Representatives gave approval to the Higher Education Act of 1965.

The measure is a compromise version of Senate and House passed bills. It is the third major piece of education legislation to be approved by Congress this year. Already signed into law is the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, and the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965. Foundation for such federal aid to colleges was laid two years ago when Congress passed the Higher Education Facilities Act of 1963 which provides funds for construction purposes.

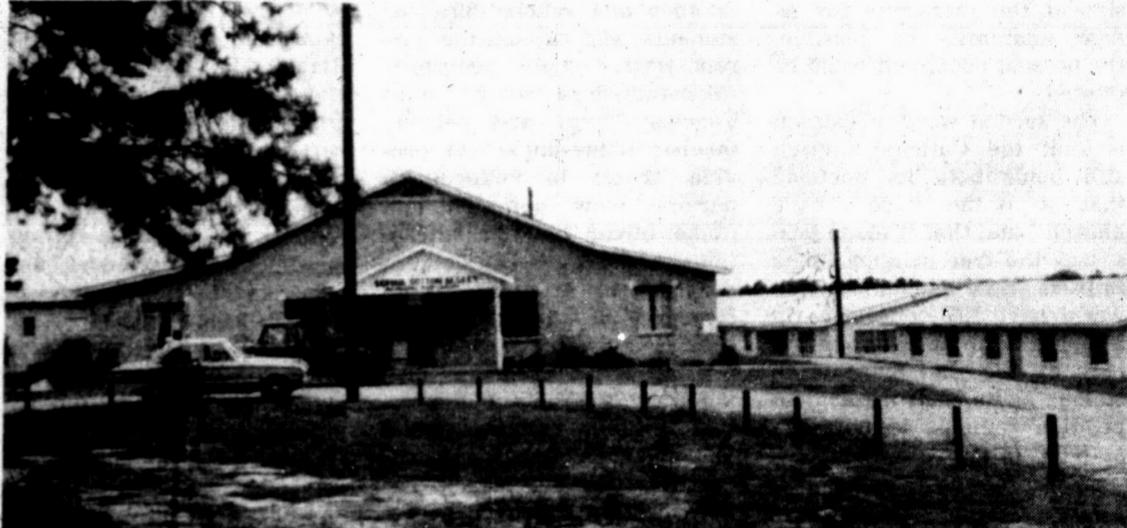
The bill is considered a "breakthrough" in aid to education because it provides for the first time federal scholarships for needy students. It sets up a number of teacher programs, including a National Teacher Corps.

Also new in the Higher Education Act of 1965 is the provision for community service and continuing education programs, which would cast the nation's colleges in the role of solving community problems.

The measure basically is a five-year program of aid to higher education, with financial authorizations for most programs for the first three years. Generally it would (1) provide for community service and continuing education programs designed to assist in the solution of community problems in rural, urban or suburban areas;

(2) provide a program for improvement of college and university libraries; (3) authorize special assistance to improve education at "develop-

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THE NEW FACILITIES at Sophia Sutton Mission Assembly to be dedicated Sunday surround the original auditorium seen in left center of photo. To the left of the auditorium is seen a section of the cafeteria while the two buildings to the right are the new dormitory and administration building. Other new facilities are to the rear of auditorium.

New Sophia Sutton Facilities To Be Dedicated October 31

New physical facilities at Sophia Sutton Mission Assembly, located near Prentiss, valued at \$200,000, will be dedicated Sunday, Oct. 31, it has been announced by Dr. David B. Dale, Prentiss, chairman of the board of trustees of the assembly.

The assembly program is sponsored jointly by the Sophia Sutton Mission Assembly and the Mississippi Bap-

tist Seminary, Dr. Wm. P. Davis, president, with S. L. Richmond of Prentiss serving as director of the assembly program.

The new facilities to be dedicated include an administration building, a 200-capacity dormitory, a 500-capacity diningroom, kitchen, athletic field, deep well and swimming pool.

Under construction is a 200-capacity dormitory with private rooms and baths, with buildings planned for construction later to include a library, chapel and day care building for pre-school children.

The original principal building on the property has served as an auditorium, administrative unit, diningroom and kitchen but in the future will be used primarily as the auditorium.

The assembly property is located on a 119-acre plot of ground donated by the late Mrs. Sophia Sutton Begley of Prentiss.

To Begin At 10 A.M.

The day-long dedication program will begin at 10 a.m. with Dr. Davis presiding.

Welcome will be extended by Dr. Dale with response to be given by T. Cooper Walton of Jackson.

Two principal addresses

ing missionaries in an effort to give greater effectiveness and depth to missionary service; and gave an evening to discussion of suggestion made during the foreign mission consultation held at Miami Beach, Fla., last summer.

The Board's new officers are Dr. J. Chester Badgett, pastor of Campbellsville (Ky.) Baptist Church, president; Dr. J. Roy Clifford, pastor, The Tabernacle Baptist Church, Richmond, first vice-president; and Mrs. J. Woodrow Fuller, Dallas, Texas, second vice-president. Rev. J. Rush Loving, director of

church relations for the University of Richmond, was re-elected recording secretary.

The Board's 1966 budget to \$2,282,552.55 is an increase of \$2,351,503.79 over the 1965 budget. It includes \$19,482,552.55 for operating purposes and \$5,800,000 for capital purposes. Of the operating budget, \$17,558,056.55 will be spent overseas and the remaining \$1,924,494 in the States for administration, missionary education and promotion, and other expenses related to maintaining a headquarters and keeping Southern Baptists informed of their overseas enterprise.

"*Vast Forward Thrust*"
In his report to the Board, Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, compared the budget for 1966 with the in-
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Sullivan Addresses Educators

OKLAHOMA CITY — "If the church dies, it will not die a natural death. It will die because it has committed suicide," a Southern Baptist leader told religious educators here Oct. 18.

"If the church dies, it will be because of its failure to fulfil its basic mission of proclamation," said Dr. James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

"The church must do its work more intelligently," Dr. Sullivan went on to say.

"This is not an appeal for the so-called intellectual approach, but we do need to face the fact that God gave us minds in order that we might use them fully," he said.

"There is no conflict in doing our work with head and heart simultaneously. Truth never conflicts with truth."

Dr. Sullivan addressed an estimated audience of more than 1,000 Baptist leaders from throughout the state attending the annual Sunday School - Training Union Convention at First Baptist Church here.

The head of the denomination's major source of literature went on to suggest that
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Reports From Rome--

By Gainer E. Bryan, Jr.

ROME (POAU)—The world has hailed a vote of Vatican Council II in overwhelming support of religious liberty and a visit of the "pilgrim pope" to the United Nations.

These two events are sensational demonstrations of the aggiornamento, or updating of the Catholic Church. They are painstakingly calculated to move the Church abreast of modern times, especially in world opinion.

Mr. Bryan
Baptists,

however, should look behind

the headlines that are now spreading immense good will for the Catholic Church in liberty-loving areas of the world to examine the facts of the action on religious liberty.

The first fact is that the Vatican Council has not yet approved a definitive declaration on religious liberty but has merely adopted in principle a text proposed as a basis for a declaration. The text has now been sent back to the Commission on Christian Unity for revision "in the light of the Catholic doctrine of the true religion" and other amendments submitted by the Council fathers. Because of the strenuous objections of

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THREE ASSOCIATIONS NOW IN MIDWEST

MILWAUKEE, WISC. (BP) — The Wisconsin - Minnesota Baptist Association, affiliated with Texas Baptists for nine years, disbanded here to organize three new associations in the two-state area.

Two associations, Lakeland

and Central Baptist Associations, were organized for Baptist churches in Wisconsin, and Northland Baptist Association was constituted for churches in Minnesota.

Even though all three associations were organized in one church in Wisconsin, the Northland Association for Minnesota churches was technically constituted on "Minnesota" soil.

Superintendent of missions Frank Burress for the area had brought a bucket of Minnesota soil to the Northwest Baptist Church in Milwaukee and had poured the soil into a shallow box on the church's floor.

Kenneth King, pastor from Green Bay, Wisc., who was presiding over the constitution ceremony as the last moderator of the Wisconsin-Minnesota Association, asked the moderator present for the new Minnesota Association to stand in the box so he would be on "Minnesota soil" for the association's organization.

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Church Disfellowshipped Over Question Of Baptism

By Erwin L. McDonald
Editor, Arkansas Baptist News Magazine

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whom they no longer had "fellowship."

Although Russellville First Church is no longer a part of the association, it continues to be in good standing with the Arkansas Baptist State Convention and nationally with the Southern Baptist Convention.

The remaining churches of the Dardanelle - Russellville Association, which has never found it easy to raise enough money to carry on the association program, must dig deeper to come up with more than \$1200 to replace the yearly contribution by the

Russellville church to the association.

After the vote to withdraw fellowship from the Russellville Church was taken, the pastor and other messengers of the affected church walked out of the association session rather than remain as visitors. The association held its afternoon meeting elsewhere.

The showdown between the Russellville church and the association had been brewing for several months. It all started when some of the leaders of the association took exception to a "statement of faith" adopted and practiced

examining these candidates about their beliefs, the Russellville church did not reimburse them.

The association disagreed with the Russellville Church's policy on receiving new members and on observing the Lord's Supper.

Both groups — church and association — used the term "autonomy" to defend their rights to act as they did. The principal dispute was over baptism and rebaptism. The Russellville Church had admitted into membership some applicants from other denominations, who had been baptized by immersion. After

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Ouachita Won't Press To Take Federal Aid

LITTLE ROCK (BP)—Trustees of Ouachita Baptist University apparently wish to avoid a floor fight at the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, and so have said they will not press for the right to seek federal aid for the Arkadelphia, Ark., school.

Instead, the convention here will receive a proposal that Baptist churches in Arkansas increase their Cooperative Program gifts next year by 10 per cent over the budgeted amount in 1965.

Anticipating this additional income, \$87,500 was added to the 1966 proposed Cooperative Program budget on which messengers to the convention vote. Three-fourths of this added amount will go to Ouachita and one-fourth to Southern Baptist College at Walnut Ridge, Ark.

The increase brought the total budget submitted for convention approval to \$2,171,633.

The question of whether Ouachita could accept federal grants for buildings had loomed as the major issue at the 1965 state convention session in Little Rock.

University President Ralph A. Phelps said in August if the school was to remain a university "of the first magnitude" it would have to receive matching grants from the government under 1963 congressional legislation.

At a subsequent meeting of 115 Baptist pastors and laymen here, at which the Ouachita trustee action was reported, the consensus was the Ouachita board made a "wise move." It appeared that, after a bitter floor battle, messengers would have disapproved federal aid for Ouachita.

FMB Sets . . .

(Continued from Page 1) come of the Board 20 years ago. It was \$3,592,000 in 1945. The missionary staff then was around 350 as compared with 2,047 at present.

"Two basic convictions filled the minds of the members of the Foreign Mission Board when they met in the first annual session following the close of World War II," Dr. Cauthen said. "First, there was a deep conviction that the achievements of world missions are indestructible. Second, there was a deep conviction that Southern Baptists must do far more to help save the world than had been done before."

"The 20 years which have gone by have given great evidence of God's leadership. A steady advance into new lands has taken place until now we are ministering in 60 countries of the world. Many new doors of service have been opened and wider opportunities of ministry in the Master's name have been developed."

"Unparalleled opportunities for evangelism far beyond anything that we have ever before experienced have come into reality. We have been caught up in a vast forward thrust which we recognize as being the work of the Lord."

"We are humbled at the adoption of a budget in excess of \$25,000,000, but as we lift our eyes to the task that is at hand we are quieted into serious thought as we measure what lies ahead. We cannot wait for the world to become as we would like it to be before we launch out into our witness for Christ."

"We must go into the world as it is. We must incur the risk and be willing to face the demands of serving amid the circumstances which are ours."

"The heart of mankind is hungry for the gospel of Jesus Christ. To be sure, it does not recognize the meaning of that hunger. It is only aware of deep, penetrating needs and is groping for some solution to those needs."

"Our own problems and needs at the home base could easily become so urgent as to divert our eyes away from a world in distress and focus them upon ourselves. If this should happen, the consequences would be tragic. It is our task in this day of urgent worldwide need to call Southern Baptists to march forward more powerfully than ever before that the world may know Him who gave Himself for our redemption."



Miss Everley Hayes



Miss Wanda Ponder



Dr. Jack E. Walker

Medical Missions . . .

(Continued from Page 1) missionary to Africa, who teaches in the Baptist School of Nursing, Eku, Nigeria, and serves as a supervisor in Eku Baptist Hospital.

For further information concerning the Medical Missions Conference, contact Harold St. Gemme, Baptist student director for the non-Baptist colleges of Jackson, at P. O. Box 4686, Fondren Station, Jackson (phone 362-8876).

Reports From . . .

(Continued from page 1) prelates from Spain and Italy to the present text and the desire of the hierarchy for as near unanimity as possible, the present document could be diluted.

The second word of caution is that the Catholic Church still holds onto its doctrine that it is the "one true church" and that it alone possesses the true religion in its fullness. How can the outside world have full confidence in a declaration on religious liberty by the Catholic Church so long as its basic theological position remains intolerant?

Built-in Loopholes

Third, the text approved as a basis for the definitive declaration has built-in loopholes or escapes that will allow the dissenting prelates to deny full religious liberty in Catholic "countries and offer mere toleration of minority religions instead. These loopholes exist in the limits on the free exercise of religion that are authorized by the document.

There can be no quarrel with the principle that the right to religious liberty is a right which must be regulated by civil authorities like every other right. What poses a problem is the interpretation that the authorities in a Catholic country will give to the limits that are specified. These are the safeguarding of the public peace, the protection of public morality and the protection of equal rights for all citizens.

Baptist leaders who have lived under Catholicism in Spain and Italy testify that these are familiar phrases that have been used in the past to deny full religious liberty to non-Catholics.

A fourth warning is that the document holds that the recognition of a particular religion by the state is compatible with the principle of religious liberty. In other words, the schema does not uphold the separation of church and state. The degree of religious liberty that it would support thus falls short of the American ideal and lapses back to European standards.

Conclusion Reached

A conclusion from these observations is that the projected Catholic declaration on religious liberty could have the effect of advancing Catholicism in countries where it is in the minority by presenting it as more liberal than it really is, without substantially affecting the position of the Catholic Church in countries where it is now the religion of the majority.

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The acid test of Catholic

New Sophia . . .

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Presentation of dedication will be by Dr. Dae with acceptance by Dr. L. E. Green of Prentiss. Special message will be delivered by Miss Edwina Robinson, executive secretary of Mississippi WMU.

The facilities being constructed at the assembly have been made possible largely as a result of a \$123,000 recreational loan insured by the Farmers Home Administration, Washington, D. C., of which Mr. Walton is area supervisor.

Congress Approves . . .

(Continued From Page 1) ing" institutions of higher education; (4) authorize loan insurance and scholarships for students, and expand the current work-study program;

(5) establish a National Teacher Corps and provide teacher fellowships; (6) provide grants to colleges to purchase new equipment and make minor building alterations, and expand the current program of grants for construction of classrooms, libraries and laboratories.

In all of the programs provided by the bill no distinction is made between public and private colleges and universities. However, each title does contain provision prohibiting the use of federal funds for sectarian instruction or religious worship or in connection with a school or department of divinity.

The bill authorizes \$125 million for the first three years for community service and continuing education programs for solving community problems. Such problems as housing, poverty, government, recreation, employment, youth opportunities, transportation, health, and land use could be included. The program would be administered on a state plan by a state designated agency.

Authorization of \$150 million for three years is provided for grants to colleges to strengthen libraries. Basic grants and supplementary grants are provided to assist in the acquisition of library books, periodicals, documents, magnetic tapes, phonograph records, audiovisual materials, and other related library materials. Special purpose grants are also provided to meet special needs for additional library resources, to

fidelity to the professed principle of full civil religious liberty, therefore, will not come in a country like the United States, where this liberty has already been won. It will rather come in countries like Spain in terms of Catholic practice of its preachers.

Convinced of this, the writer visited Spain en route home from Rome and talked with Baptist leaders in that country. The consensus was that the declaration will mean, not full religious liberty, but toleration in Spain, but that toleration will be an advance over former conditions.

Both caution and hope are, therefore, warranted. Clearly, the declaration contains elements of expediency—an intolerant church is out of place in the modern world. It contains contradictions—religious liberty is being proclaimed as a policy of the church in civil relations without surrender of an intolerant theological position.

Objectivity is always essential. Baptists must remain open-minded to the possibility of deviations in Catholic policy which might at least temporarily advance religious liberty for evangelicals in Catholic countries and for all men everywhere.

Mr. Bryan reported early developments at the Vatican Council and interviewed Baptist leaders in Spain for Americans United and The Maryland Baptist, of which he is editor.

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meet special national or regional needs in the library and information sciences, and to assist in the joint use of library facilities.

Grants are also authorized to institutions of higher education for training in librarianship, and for research and demonstration projects relating to libraries and the training of library personnel.

A one year program of grants is provided to strengthen "developing" institutions of higher education, and for a national teaching fellow program to encourage graduate students and junior faculty members to teach at such "developing" institutions. Cooperative arrangements for strengthening these "developing" institutions could include faculty exchanges, faculty training and improvement programs, introduction of new curriculums, joint use of facilities, etc.

Federal scholarships for needy students are provided in the form of "educational opportunity grants." A total of \$70 million for each of 3 years is authorized for such grants. In addition there is a program of low-interest insured loans under which the government would underwrite loans made to students by private lending agencies.

Work-Study Program

The work-study program, already in operation under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 (war on poverty), will be expanded and transferred to the Office of Education. This program provides part-time employment for students of low-income families. Such employment may be for the institution itself or for a public or private nonprofit organization arranged by the institution.

The new National Teacher Corps program will recruit experienced teachers, and college graduates not yet experienced in teaching, for up to 2 years of service in schools in areas with high concentrations of low-income families. There is also provided a program of fellowships for teachers in elementary and secondary schools for graduate study.

The existing program of construction grants to colleges (Higher Education Facilities Act of 1963) is doubled under the new education measure. The interest rate on loans for construction purposes is fixed at a flat 3% per year.

Also provided is a program of grants for the acquisition of equipment and for minor remodeling of buildings. Equipment could include audiovisual materials, printed and published materials other than textbooks for classrooms or libraries, and equipment used in science, mathematics, foreign languages, history, geography, government, English, humanities, arts, etc., as well as television equipment for closed-circuit instruction.

What Of The North American Baptist Fellowship

By J. Terry Young, Editor
California Southern Baptist

eration with others of similar interest.

Closer Walk?

Should Southern Baptists be afraid of a closer walk with some Baptists whose theology and practice are not exactly like ours? Could we be weakened or compromised? Many have been afraid the answer is yes. But let us take a closer look.

Southern Baptists are far larger than any of the other participating groups—larger than them all combined.

The second largest group in the Fellowship—the National Baptist Convention—probably looks on Southern Baptists as "liberal" in theology! Southern Baptists are afraid of the liberal theology of American Baptists—who are less than one-sixth the size of Southern Baptists. Who should be afraid of being influenced? Southern Baptists who dwarf the other Baptist groups in the North American Fellowship stand to be influencing.

Closer Tie

What are we to think of this closer tie of Baptists—if it is that—which is now in existence? Now that some months have passed since its inception, should we reassess our opinion of it? What does the future hold for the participants in the Fellowship? Were our fears about the organization really justified?

Have we really bettered our relationships within Baptist ranks? Let us take a good, hard, second look at the North American Baptist Fellowship.

Is there really a need for a closer working relationship among Baptists? If we are convinced that our nation and our world are truly in need of the gospel, then there is a need for a closer tie among Baptists.

The size of our evangelical responsibility is far greater than can be met by our combined efforts, let alone our individual efforts.

Coordinated, cooperative efforts—which do not necessarily mean merger or compromise—can increase our Baptist effectiveness. Some of the Baptist bodies need help and encouragement, and some new insight to enable them to meet the demands of today.

Is there a danger in closer relationships between the Baptist groups? Could the North American Baptist Fellowship lead to a Baptist ecumenical movement?

While Southern Baptists are not seeking merger with anyone—Baptists or otherwise—there is nothing wrong with churches of like faith and order working together in the fellowship of associations and conventions or other such cooperative ventures.

Baptists are not interested in structural unity or centralization.

Our interest is in greater diversification through the extension of local churches, where the New Testament lays its emphasis on organized Christianity. But, we need not fear voluntary cooperation.

Could Learn

We as Southern Baptists also could learn from others.

We have not even come near reaching our maximum potential. If from some of the other Baptist groups we could gain an insight or an attitude that would help us out of the doldrums of the denominational slow-down we have experienced for the past two or three years, the North American Baptist Fellowship could be a pearl without price in its value.

The North American Baptist Fellowship can be a step toward that end for us and the other Baptist groups.

The newly created committee,

and some new insight to enable them to meet the demands of today.

1966 T.U. . .

(Continued from page 1) are consultants for the various age groups. Miss Margaret Sharp is author of the book for Junior workers, Bob Taylor of the Intermediate manual, Carlton Carter of the Young People's manual, and Robert S. Cook of the manual for adults. Various members of the department are collaborating on the manual for general officers.

The four authors along with the three elementary workers

will be in Mississippi for a special orientation session with the teaching teams who

will be conducting the regional clinics. In each regional clinic there will be at least two of the Sunday School Board consultants teaching their own books.

The regional teaching clinics have been scheduled in Tupelo, Cleveland, Philadelphia, Jackson, and Hattiesburg. These will be held simultaneously on Saturday, October 1, 1966, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Church . . .

(Continued From Page 1) said by withdrawing fellowship from the Russellville Church. It did in no way censure them in our Baptist work.

It further recognized "that we differ in Baptist practice," affirmed the self-governing nature of the church, and resolved to "pray and work to establish a reconciliation."

The Russellville Church is the home church of former Southern Baptist Convention President Brooks Hays, now a White House consultant. Hays is not presently a member of the Russellville Church, however.

waiting to be shaped. Through the channel provided by the Fellowship, let us seek to spread our influence in evangelism, missions, stewardship and Christian education. Someone must take the lead in developing this organization into a powerful new thrust of Baptist work in North America. Why not Southern Baptists, who have much that should be shared in a sense of the stewardship of the blessings of God and who should be the first to admit their own current need for something to kindle a spark of revival?

Local Level

But the committee at the top is not enough. What about some fellowship at the local level? It is fine for one Baptist group to talk of fellowship with another group a few thousand miles away, but what about the conventions who are working in a single field along side one another? Is there not a need for closer ties of fellowship with our Baptist friends in sister conventions in the same geographical locale? Associations and even individual pastors can take the lead in advancing relationships with other Baptist groups. If in this way we can help some of our Baptist friends in other conventions groups to a higher level of Christian productivity, we will have served a vital missionary role.

Three Associates . . .

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"It's good to be on holly ground," quipped Warren Littleford, pastor from Minneapolis who later was elected moderator of the New Northland Association in Minnesota. The crowd roared with laughter.

Later, however, most of the 150 who attended were in a more serious mood, for it was a solemn occasion. The Wisconsin-Minnesota Association was no more.

Nine years ago the two-state association was organized with seven churches and 410 members.

Just before the association was dissolved to organize the three new ones, reports were presented from the churches indicating a total of more than 1,600 baptisms (conversions) during the past nine years.

21 Churches

There are 21 churches, six chapels, and nearly 3,000 Southern Baptists making up the three new associations.

Ten of the churches and chapels in Minnesota comprise the new Northland Baptist Association.

The Lakeland Baptist Association includes eight churches and chapels in the Milwaukee, Racine, and Kenosha area along Wisconsin's western shores of Lake Michigan. Vern E. Baird, pastor from Kenosha, is the newly-elected moderator.

Wisconsin's central association includes nine churches and chapels in the Madison, Beloit, and Green Bay area. F. Samuel Hunt, pastor from Madison, is the new moderator.

More Comments And Questions On Federal Aid To Education

By Dr. J. Harold Stephens
Pastor, Temple Church
Hattiesburg

Indulgence in rationalizing the federal aid to education question is becoming a favorite project of Southern Baptists. There is some danger already in evidence of pitting the educational forces of Southern Baptists against a large group of conservative thinkers on the subject as it applies to the time-honored principle among Baptists on the separation of church and state. It is obviously becoming a divisive issue.

There have been constructive statements on both sides, but human nature is such that we have to always guard against the temptation to rationalize and justify a position, or practice that seems materially favorable to us at the time. This procedure can lead to unworthy compromises that may weaken our position in other areas. For instance, how far can we go with the argument that a convention agency is not a church? Can we carry this argument to the point of being willing to separate and isolate convention agencies from the churches in which they have been bred, born and nurtured? Every agency and institution of Southern Baptists may well heed the scripture: "Look unto the rock whence you are hewn" (Isaiah 51:1).

We have scripturally propagated and promoted the whole program of Southern Baptists on the basis that all that we are doing is a part of the great commission of Jesus Christ to and through His churches. If we shrink from this position, and for a moment imply that what we are supporting and have supported through the Cooperative Program is not a vital part of the business and program of New Testament churches, we will forfeit our right to appeal to the churches for any support of any kind. If our agencies and institutions are not a vital part of the program of our churches then how can we justify any continued support of that which cannot be considered a part of the program and business of our churches?

Elected to serve with Dr. Badgett as officers of the Foreign Mission Board were Dr. J. Roy Clifford, of Richmond, first vice-president, and Mrs. J. Woodrow Fuller, of Dallas, Tex., second vice-president. Rev. J. Rush Loving, director of church relations for the University of Richmond, was reelected recording secretary, and Miss Inez Tugge, of the Board staff (she is secretary to the executive secretary), was re-elected assistant recording secretary.

Dr. Clifford is also a native of Kentucky (Newport) and graduate of Georgetown College and Southern Seminary. Pastor of The Tabernacle Baptist Church, Richmond, since 1961, he formerly had pastorates in North Carolina, Ohio, and Kentucky.

Mrs. Fuller, native of Adel, Ga., is the first woman to become an officer of the Foreign Mission Board. She and her husband, associate pastor of First Church, Dallas, have a special tie with foreign missions — their daughter Ann (Mrs. Billy W. Coffman) is a missionary to the Dominican Republic.

I'm sure that we are not willing to admit, or announce to the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention that they no longer own, direct or control their agencies and institutions that are supported by millions of dollars each year through the Cooperative Program.

Cooperative Program
Our Cooperative Program has been promoted and supported within the churches based upon the appeal of the threefold ministry of our Lord; that of, "preaching, teaching and healing." "And Jesus went about, all the cities and villages, teaching (schools) in their synagogues, and preaching (churches) the gospel of the kingdom, and healing (hospitals) every disease among the people (Matthew 9:35). This was done without any subsidy from Rome or from the Saubedrin. Jesus and the Apostles were beholden to no extraneous benefactors.

If our churches own our agencies and institutions, and are entitled to complete control of them, the question arises as to how complete this control is going to continue to be when shared with the

federal government? As we seek and receive increasing aid from the federal government for our agencies and institutions, are we willing to assume that the commission of Christ the Founder, Foundation and Head of the Church, was addressed both to the churches and to secular government? Are we willing to paraphrase the words of our Lord in Matthew 22:21? "Receive therefore from Caesar the things which are Caesar's, and receive from God the things that are God's, and combine it in one operation for carrying out my commission."

The fact is, the commission of our Lord was not both secular and spiritual. The defense for accepting federal aid to education on the grounds that we are performing a secular service in behalf of the government is an unfortunate admission that we are already in a secular business, to the extent that we are willing to send the federal government a bill for it.

Re-evaluate

At this point we may need to re-evaluate the whole program of Southern Baptists. Many friends of education are saying that we must have federal aid, or else fold up, or greatly curtail our program of education. What part of the commission of our Lord would be violated if we did decide to leave secular education to the state? We fear that we are going to be unable to compete with the federal government with its vast resources and huge appropriations for education and hospitalization, and with other groups who will be seeking and receiving federal funds. Wherein are we, under God, expected or required by the scriptures to compete with them?

Ours is a unique mission and ministry, and the time may be upon us when we must realize this to the extent that we will concentrate all of our energies, and resources upon the commission of our Lord, rather than trying to accomplish so much in the field of secular education for the state and jeopardize our spiritual ministry thereby.

I'm not opposed to the full teaching program of our Baptist colleges and universities in the broad fields of the arts and sciences, so long as we are able to do it in harmony with all of the basic principles of Christian education. If we are doing this for Christ, then let us in the name of Christ support it in every way, but if we are doing it for the state to the point that we are already content that we are justified in sending the bill to the state, we may already be off on a tangent somewhere.

Back to this subject of the agencies and institutions being entitled to federal support because they are not the churches — Just how far can we carry that line of reasoning? Undoubtedly, our agencies and institutions have been interpreted, through the years, as a vital part of the program of our churches. The Sunday School, within itself, is not the church. The Training Union, within itself, is not the church; however, these two organizations make up a sizeable part of the educational program of our churches. Shall we, therefore, appeal to the federal government to erect the educational buildings of our churches? Shall we further appeal to the federal government to subsidize, or pay the salaries of our ministers of education, or to provide for them funds on which they may further their training?

Youth Programs

Many of our churches are developing attractive, and wholesome youth programs, including gymnasiums, play grounds, swimming pools, bowling alleys and recreational equipment of all kinds. Certainly, this youth program is not the church, although it may be a program of the church. Shall such churches appeal to the federal government to pay these bills on the ground that it contributes to the government's physical fitness program, and helps to develop strong bodies to send to the battle fields? The choir is not the church, although it is a vital part of the program of the church. Shall we intensify our music program in the church and send the bill to the federal government on the ground that we are helping to prepare participants for

the community glee club, or park band? There is really no stopping place in this line of reasoning that any service our churches perform for the community should be paid for by the federal government.

It seems that we are already involved in a violation of the principle of the separation of church and state in the anti-poverty program funds that are being partially administered by the churches. A court case is now pending on the constitutionality of this program.

A pastor is not the church. Most of us pastors preach sermons, now and then, that are specifically aimed toward community betterment. This is true when we preach on the problems of law violation, and law enforcement in the area of drinking, gambling, prostitution and the alcohol problem in general. Shall we send the bill for a month's salary to the federal government when we have preached a series of four sermons along these lines?

Our Position

Indeed, we have come to the time when all of us need to rethink our position as Baptists in the light of the commission of our Lord. We may forfeit our right to be called New Testament churches if we concede that we have developed a program that cannot survive without the help of the federal government. We are saying that our program is too big, or our God is too small or our people are too selfish if we come to the place of saying that our remaining in business depends upon an act of Congress in a day of socialistic, secularistic and materialistic trends.

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Con-

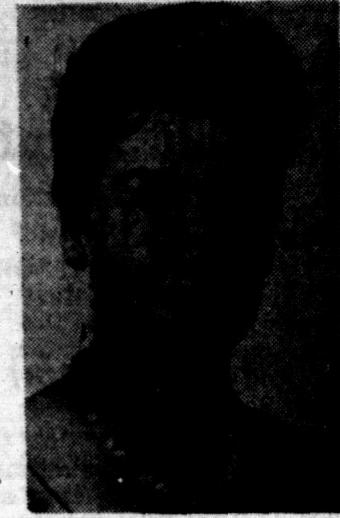
vention is not the church. The Foreign Mission Board, however, is sending out missionaries that have and are functioning as ambassadors of good will. In foreign lands our missionaries have helped in many countries to develop a better feeling on the part of the people abroad toward our country. They are, certainly, helping with the educational needs of the people on foreign fields and with the physical needs through our hospitals and children's homes.

Shall we conclude that we are in a foreign aid ministry here to the extent that we would ask the federal government to make a donation to our foreign mission board from the United States Foreign Aid? After all, what can we do for foreign aid as compared to the billions appropriated by our Federal Government? How can we compete with this? Why doesn't the government help with this, or repay us?

Don't Tell

Don't tell the Federal Government I suggested this — they (the Government) might really do it; although I'm sure the way our missionaries would handle it would save the government some money. Up until the time when lush federal funds were made so available, the church-owned and operated agencies and institutions centered their discussion entirely around the principles of the separation of church and state.

The discussion has now deteriorated to the level of discussing the separation of the church from its own agencies and institutions. I feel the separating wedge may be federal aid.



Mrs. Curtis Askew

WMU Speaker

Mrs. D. Curtis Askew, a missionary who serves in Tokyo, Japan, will be the speaker for the District Nine Woman's Missionary Union meeting. The night meeting will be at Colonial Heights Church, Jackson, Monday November 1, at 7:00 p.m. The day meeting will be at First Church, Yazoo City, Tuesday, November 2, at 10:00 a.m.

Revival Dates

Daniel Memorial Church Jackson: Nov. 1-7; weekday services Monday through Friday at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday worship services at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Dr. Ramsey Pollard (pastor of Bellevue Church, Memphis, Tennessee, and former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, evangelist; Evio Correia de Oliveira, native of Brazil, now minister of music, First Church, Conley, Georgia, in charge of music; J. T. Taylor, minister of music; Dr. Allen Webb, pastor).

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NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board are (left to right) Dr. J. Chester Badgett, of Campbellsville, Ky., president; Dr. J. Roy Clifford, of Richmond, Va., first vice-president; and Mrs. J. Woodrow Fuller, of Dallas, Tex., second vice-president.



DR. J. CHESTER BADGETT (left), of Campbellsville, Ky., newly elected president of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, is congratulated by Dr. Homer G. Lindsay, of Jacksonville, Fla., outgoing president.

Sharing Christ Goal Of Foreign Board President

when Campbellsville (Ky.) Baptist Church began to rebuild after a fire, the message, "Sharing Christ around the world," went into the cornerstone of the new building.

"Sharing Christ" is the emphasis maintained by the pastor of Campbellsville Church, Dr. J. Chester Badgett. And now he has greater opportunity than ever before to share Christ with the world. He was elected president of the 61-member Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board during the Board's annual three-day meeting in Richmond, Va., October 11-13.

Dr. Badgett has been a member of the Foreign Mission Board since 1962. Prior to that time he observed mission work in Europe, the Middle East, and Latin America while traveling to Baptist World Alliance meetings in England and Brazil.

He has been pastor of Campbellsville Church since 1960. Under his leadership, the congregation determined that the fire which destroyed the church building would not be allowed to harm the cause of world missions. While in the process of rebuilding and since then, though payment on the new building continues, the church has increased mission giving through the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Born in Casey County, Kentucky, in 1915, Dr. Badgett



Guillermo Wallace, Dr. Jones C. Fletcher's biography of a medical missionary who died in a Chinese Communist prison, has been translated into Spanish and published by the Baptist Spanish Publishing House, El Paso, Tex. Dr. Fletcher, at right, was given a copy of the paperback Spanish edition during the Foreign Mission Conference at Glorieta. Dr. James M. Young, Jr., invited him to take the Spanish Baptist nurse who works with him in Yenan, an Arab country.

THE EDITORIAL PAGE

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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

The Annual Associations

When you read this the annual meetings of the district Baptist associations will be over. Most of them meet during the second and third weeks of October with the others just before or after those dates.

The district association is the Baptist denominational organization closest to the churches. There are 77 such associations in Mississippi and more than 1100 in the Southern Baptist Convention. Most of the associations in Mississippi are geographically limited to counties, although a few cover more territory than that. The oldest denominational organization in the state is the Mississippi association, formed at Washington in 1806. The youngest is the Quitman association formed a few years ago by dividing the Riverside association, then comprised of churches in several counties.

It was your editor's privilege to visit 14 of the associational meetings. Since most of them are held in a two week period it is almost impossible for a denominational worker to visit more than that.

The associational meetings we have attended this fall were among the best we have seen in recent years. This same report comes from men attending others. The attendance in most of them has been splendid, the programs usually well planned, and the speakers we heard were outstanding. The reports from the churches were good, and the spirit and fellowship were the very finest.

It is our conviction after attending these meetings, that despite problems and divisive issues that have been raised in recent years, there is unusual unity among the Baptists of Mississippi. That oneness of spirit and purpose is based upon love for the Lord Jesus Christ and a determination to carry out His commission.

Mississippi Baptist churches still are preaching

the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, and still are deeply concerned about world missions and evangelism. They are united in their support of the Mississippi Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention as denominational agencies through which they can work in a great world program of evangelism, Christian education, Christian service and missions.

Mississippi Baptists believe in the programs of their denominations. Even though there have been some questions raised, those questions have been and are being answered, and problems are being solved. The interest and concern of the people is centered on the central purpose of a mighty witness for Christ in these difficult days.

I have come back from the contacts and fellowship afforded by these meetings with a new confidence that Mississippi Baptists are going to continue to advance together for Christ in the greatest programs they ever have attempted for Christ. The coming year should be one of the best of our history.

History Repeats Itself

History has an amazing way of repeating itself. Perhaps the reason may be that when similar actions are taken similar results can be expected.

In the 17th century in England there was debate between John Bunyan and William Kiffen on the issues of baptism and the Lord's supper. Bunyan favored open communion and felt that baptism by immersion, while scriptural, should not be made a test of fellowship. Kiffen stood squarely for believer's baptism as the only true baptism, and stood strongly for closed communion. He seemed to recognize that when Baptists failed to follow the New Testament teachings on this, they soon would cease to be Baptists. (A brief story of this debate is found in S. L. Stealy's *A Baptist Treasury*, pages 78-85).

The proof of the correctness of Kiffen's position is found in history itself. Very shortly after Bunyan's death, his church ceased to be Baptist and became Congregationalist, practicing infant baptism. Mississippians who recently visited the church say that the baptism has been sealed up.

Is history repeating itself? Most English Baptists are reported to now be following the Bunyan tradition of open communion, and many practice open mem-

bership. At the recent Baptist World Alliance, an English theologian advocated the acceptance of sprinkling for baptism, if the person sprinkled was a believer. (Two American Baptist Convention theologians, in a recently published manual of polity and practice for Baptist churches, say that "pouring may be an acceptable substitute" as baptism for "aged or infirm" persons who "ought not to be immersed." A BAPTIST MANUAL OF POLITY AND PRACTICE by Maring and Hudson, p. 135.)

What is the result of such a position? In the August 5, 1963 issue of THE BAPTIST TIMES (London) the front page lead story headline reads, "Two Bristol Churches Unite." There follows the story that the Arley Congregational and Cotham Grove Baptist churches in Bristol, England, have united into one congregation, and called a Congregational minister as pastor. Interestingly enough, the story states that the Cotham Methodist Church also is discussing becoming part of the merger.

What does all of this mean? Without questioning the right of these congregations to do what they have done (although they have no New Testament authority for doing it), we simply call attention to the fact that another Baptist Church has ceased to exist. It no longer is teaching the doctrines which have made Baptists through the centuries. It has abandoned its New Testament based position.

A few years ago I worshipped one Sunday in a Christian-Baptist church in a northern city. This church formerly had been Baptist but had merged with a Christian church, to form a new congregation. The result? It no longer was Baptist either in its doctrine, its practice, its program or its leadership.

This brings us once more to say, that which often we have said, "When Baptists abandon their distinctive doctrines they quickly cease to be Baptists or give a Baptist witness."

A few among Southern Baptists (we are convinced they are not many) would have our convention move more and more into ecumenical circles. Such action means a "kiss of death" for the Baptist witness.

When we join hands with those who reject the authority of the New Testament, abandon clear teachings of that book, and in any way compromise our doctrines and practice, we soon shall cease to be a distinctive people.

And, after all, why should God bless us, or let us live, under such circumstances?

**Varied Skills
Needed In
Mission Service**

Southern Baptist missionaries in Ecuador, listing their personnel needs, began and ended with requests for couples to do general evangelistic work. But they also asked for a business manager, theological teacher, student workers, and an educator to direct a Baptist primary school in Quito.

"Doctor, lawyer, Indian chief . . ." says Missionary Stanley D. Stamps. "Well, almost. It has been said that sooner or later every bit of experience comes in handy on the mission field. So whatever your personal inclinations, interests, or abilities, there may be a place that you—and possibly you alone—can fill."

However, missionary must be willing to accept jobs for which he has no special training or interest, warns Mr. Stamps, who is pinch-hitting as director of the primary school in Quito. "A missionary does not limit himself to his particular specialty, nor does he work by union rules or punch a time clock," he says. "He goes to work whenever and wherever he is needed, confident that his task is to evangelize regardless of hours, place, or method."

CALI SEMINARY ENROLLS 46

The International Baptist Theological Seminary in Cali, Colombia, began its 13th year of classes in September with a record enrollment of 46 students and a record number of faculty members, 10 missionaries and two nationals (some teach only part time).

Thirty of the students are from Colombia, six are from Venezuela, and others are from Ecuador, Honduras, Guatemala, and Peru, reports Dr. Alan P. Neely, Southern Baptist missionary professor.

The seminary opened in 1953 with three students. Classes were held in the educational building of First Baptist Church, Cali, before the school moved to its present suburban campus in 1959.

Calendar of Prayer

This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

November 1—Mrs. Ruth Duncan, staff, Carey College; Barbara Pou, faculty, Gilroy School of Nursing.

November 2—Preston W. Beatty, Clarke College faculty; Wendell Couch, Desoto associational Brotherhood president.

November 3—Nadean Miles, Baptist Book Store; Ruth Dunn, staff, Children's Village.

November 4—Mrs. Milton Tutor, vice-president, WMU, District V; Margaret Eakin, Baptist student director, Blue Mountain College.

November 5—Jerry St. John, Baptist headquarters; Mrs. C. A. Schotte, Baptist Building.

November 6—G. L. Tutor, Simpson County associational Sunday school superintendent; Mrs. Hazel K. Anthony, staff, Mississippi College.

November 7—Mrs. Perrin H. Lowrey, faculty, Blue Mountain College; Leon B. Young, Lauderdale associational superintendent of missions.

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PERSPECTIVE

Robert J. Hastings

HOW'S YOUR EYESIGHT?

About a year ago an electric eye that can see in four directions was developed for use at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama. It is being used for tracking stars and laser images.

Although some schoolboys think their teachers have eyes in the back of their heads, most of us must settle for eyes that focus in one direction at a time. But for those who are alert and sensitive to life around them, there is plenty to see, one direction at a time.

We can see opportunities, where others see only gloom and defeat. We can see beauty, while others are preoccupied only with the ugly, the sordid, the repulsive. We can see needs, and discover ways to meet those needs out of our abundance. We can see truth, perceiving lies and half-truths and distortions for what they are. We can see ourselves—our potential as well as our limitations, our strong points as well as our weaknesses. We can see some good in the worst of others, while some are content to watch for the worst even in the best of men.

On one occasion, Jesus asked his listeners, "Having eyes, see ye not?" (Mark 8: 18). He evidently felt they were blinded by prejudice and narrowness. Which means that poor vision can not always be corrected with glasses. Sometimes the problem is deeper—problem of attitude, of motive, of intent.

By the way, how is your eyesight today?

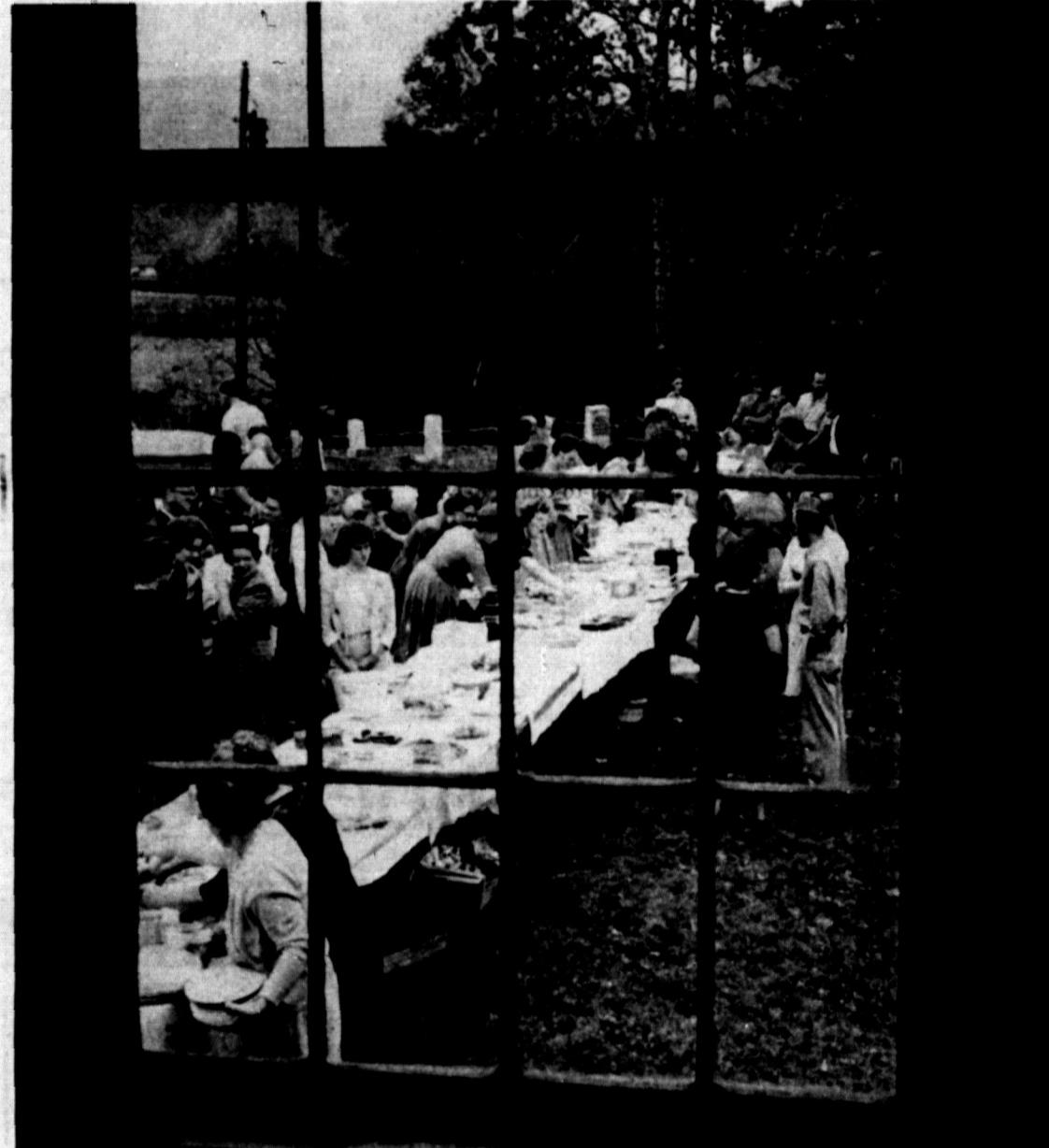
Hill Infant Dies

Cynthia Anne Hill, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Hill, died October 19 in Louisville, Ky., a few hours after birth.

Mr. Hill, professor in Kentucky Southern College, Louisville, is the son of Dr. Eugene L. Hill, secretary for missionary education and promotion for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. Mrs. John Hill, the former Karen Ray, is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Emet O. Ray, missionaries to Trinidad.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill have two young sons. They may be addressed at 3323 Cornelius Drive, Louisville, Ky., 40226.

I believe we have enjoyed this conference very much. I say, "I believe," because while we are making the study we are not aware of what we are making. Only later will people say the value of what has been said and done at this occasion.—Marelli Ronchi, president of the Italian Baptist Union.



1ST JOHN 1:7—"We have fellowship one with another" Fellowship makes possible our declaring the gospel. (Home Board Photo)

Newest In Books

"HEY, MOM!" by Mary D. Bowman (Fleming H. Revell, 31 pp., \$2.00).

The writer has used Proverbs 31 as the basis for this delightfully humorous, "spiritually sensitive" book of meditations. Mrs. Bowman, who is the daughter of the late Roland Q. Leavell and Mrs. Leavell, says that whereas the children of the mother in Proverbs 31 rose up and "called her blessed," her own children merely rose up and called her! Beneath the subtle humor there runs the reminder that home and family are gifts to be cherished. Illustrations by Don Sampson are superbly true to life, and tremendously amusing.

IN THIS LAND OF EVE by J. Birney Dibble (Abingdon, 160 pp., \$2.50).

The fascinating, attention-gripping narrative relates the personal experiences of an American surgeon spending a year working in a mission hospital in Tanganyika, East Africa. Vivid descriptions "place the reader in each locale, sicken him with each disease, shock him with each primitive horror, and thrill him with each scene of nat-

ural beauty." Dr. Dibble was born in Madras, India, where his parents were missionaries. He has practiced surgery in Wisconsin since 1957.

YOUTH VENTURES TO-WARD A VITAL CHURCH by Sheila D. Woods (Abingdon, 238 pp., \$3.95).

Resources for worship, discussion, and action, intended for use by young people when they meet together for worship, study, and discussion.

GUIDANCE FROM MEN OF GOD by John A. Redhead (Abingdon, 144 pp., \$2.50).

Fifteen inspiring stories about fifteen people in the Bible.

THE CHURCH AND ITS CULTURE by Richard M. Pope (Bethany, 618 pp., \$3.95).

A very thorough history of the church in changing cultures. By the "church," the author means all branches of the Christian faith.

SECRETS by Paul Tournier (John Knox Press, 62 pp., \$2.00).

A Swiss physician wrote this fascinating new book. He says that having secrets is a vital part of a person's life. And when one voluntarily tells a secret to another, he forges a link with that person.

INASMUCH by David O. Moberg (W.M.B. Eerdman's, 216 pp., paperback, \$2.45).

A discussion of Christian social responsibility in 20th century America.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS by Ronald S. Wallace (Eerdman's, 181 pp., \$3.95).

In this study of ethical freedom, the author says that the law of the Ten Commandments must be approached in the light of Jesus Christ.

THE KEY TO SUNDAY SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT edited by Lawrence O. Richards (Moody, 110 pp., \$2.50).

Ideas and resources, plans and programs for effective improvement of Sunday school work. Pastors, education directors, Sunday school superintendents, and Sunday school teachers will find this a valuable tool.

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The Hymn Society of America has set January 1, 1963, as the deadline for its quest to obtain new hymns on the Bible.



IN THIS SCENE from Baptists Along the Amazon, a motion picture in color with sound, Southern Baptist Missionary James L. Garrett (center) and an evangelist talk with a woman in front of her home in Santarem, Brazil. The story of growing churches and Christian outreach in the area where the pioneer missionary Erik Nelson began his work in 1897, the film looks at life along the Amazon and at Baptist work in and around Belém, Santarem, and Manaus. It may be rented from Baptist Book Stores for \$5.00.

BRAZIL FILMS DOCUMENT FOREIGN MISSION STUDY

Brazil is the locale for two sound motion pictures in color just released by the Foreign Mission Board. These releases, planned to coincide with the 1965 Foreign Mission Graded Series, document the

developing Baptist witness in Brazil.

One, *Baptists Along the Amazon*, is the story of growing churches and Christian outreach in the area where the pioneer missionary Erik

Nelson lived and worked. The film looks at life along the Amazon and at Baptist work in and around Belém, Santarem, and Manaus.

The other motion picture, *Operation Go*, is the story of a Baptist project in the state of Ceará. Rev. J. Daniel Luper, missionary, Rev. Joao Batista Martins, the executive secretary of the state convention, and others are using preparation classes and

FEDERAL AID QUESTION— What Is "First Class?"

By Dr. Allen O. Webb, Pastor
Daniel Memorial Church,
Jackson

The matter of government subsidies and governmental control have been major topics of conversation in business, public education, and also in denominational religious circles.

Baptists today are facing a crucial crossroads in the matter of whether we accept or reject federal aid for our institutions.

This involves the signing of the compliance pledges to receive these gifts.

planned outreach to help the churches in Fortaleza witness in their state. After training, Baptist laymen and women go out by bus, truck, car, and Mission-owned airplane to interior villages.

Both *Baptists Along the Amazon* (24 minutes) and *Operation Go* (17 minutes) may be rented from Baptist Book Stores for \$5.00 each.

These motion pictures were produced by the Foreign Mission Board's division of visual education, Rev. Fon H. Scofield, Jr., director.

Our administrators face the dilemma of trying to stay abreast in physical facilities and educational standards. They strive to do this with far less money for capital needs and operational expenses than our sister institutions which receive federal aid. They have done and are doing a tremendous job with comparatively meager resources.

It has been said by many that we must accept the Aid to Education grants in order to maintain the status of First Class schools and institutions. This declaration immediately raises the question as to what criteria we use to determine what is "First Class." If physical facilities and adequate monies take first place, this assertion is true. If maintaining denominational control and independence is to be considered, the opposite is true.

Past history and current events reveal that our government ultimately controls everything that receives federal grants. The government subsidizes our public schools and exercises control in any

desired area by the threat of withdrawing funds. Even if we received a pledge of non-interference, it means very little. The promise of one administration definitely does not bind successive governmental policies.

It will be a sad day when our institutions can no longer set their patterns and requirements for admissions and when any expulsion or suspension is subject to a Washington Review Board.

As the matter of "without respect for race, color, or creed" is carried into the area of the faculty, it is conceivable that we might be forced to have a faculty that would include atheists, Buddhists, Mormons, Roman Catholics, with few if any Baptists. Non-discrimination in these areas is forced in our public schools today and will eventually become the pattern in every government-subsidized institution.

There is no present proposal to control the curriculum; however, we are foolish to believe that a pattern will not evolve which will likewise be required. The framework for aid in operational expenses is already being formulated, thus making the total program more enticing. If the government devises another course in political science to take the place of a required Bible course, our only alternative will be to comply or lose aid and face the necessity of repaying previous contributions.

A Decision

We are facing a decision as to whether our Baptist institutions will be great universities or arsenals of the faith. The choice seems inevitable. The only way that both goals can be achieved is for our people to fully recognize the blessing and great heritage in our schools and to double our support. As long as we are in the educational field we are obligated to pay the expense.

If we do not maintain freedom from federal directives and if we do not exercise denominational control, our schools will be second or third class to our denomination regardless of how great the facilities, student body, and budget.

Golden Gate Observes Founder's Day

Founder's Day was observed Sept. 29 at Golden Gate Seminary. Anniversary speaker for the second annual event was Rev. Floyd Looney, Western Field Secretary for the Southern Baptist Annuity Board.

In his address before the seminary chapel, Mr. Looney recalled the early days of Golden Gate Seminary. He was elected first vice-president of the school when California Southern Baptists assumed ownership of the seminary in 1945. Looney spoke of his initial opposition to forming the new seminary which later received his support as Editor of the California Southern Baptist. Early controversy was recalled by Looney when convention leaders favored a college instead of a seminary. Later, in 1950, Looney was a member of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention that recommended national ownership and operation of the school.

Dr. Harold K. Graves, third president of the school, presided at the second Founder's Day Service. Following his election in 1952 the seminary was relocated from Berkeley to Strawberry Point in Marin County where a \$5.5 million campus was dedicated in 1959. Today Golden Gate is one of the largest theological schools on the West Coast.

Names In The News

Rev. Wade Allen has resigned Hickory Church to accept the pastorate of Union, Sr. Church, Covington County.

Rev. Charles McKnight, chaplain of Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., has received certification by the Southern Baptist Association of Clinical Pastor Educators as an acting clinical pastoral supervisor.

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DR. BAKER JAMES CAUTHEN, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, discusses the Board's "New Program of Advance" with state Brotherhood leaders. The Brotherhood men were in Richmond, Virginia, for the semi-annual meeting of the Foreign Mission Board. The men are: Standing (left to right)—Edwin Bullock, North Carolina; C. H. Seaton, Arkansas; James Gray, Georgia; William Slagle, Indiana; Nelson Tull, Arkansas; William Crowder, District of Columbia; and Gene Williams, Virginia. Seated (left to right)—George W. Schroeder and George Euting of the Brotherhood Commission; Clyde Davis, North Carolina; Forrest Sawyer, Kentucky; Robert Chapman, Texas; G. A. Ratterree, Florida; and Bill Jackson, North Carolina.

Baptist Book Store Envelope Service Replaces Betsy Damaged Envelopes

NASHVILLE — Any sets of 1966 church envelopes ordered from Baptist book store envelope service and damaged by Betsy, a late September hurricane in the gulf coast area, will be replaced free of charge, announced Charles Taylor, president of the service.

Baptist Book Store envelope service of Chester, W. Va.,

sells its envelopes exclusively through Baptist book stores.

Taylor said that with the help of the New Orleans Baptist Book Store the service replaced sets of envelopes for two churches by the first of October.

At that time, William R. MacKall, vice president of the service, was attending an exhibit at New Orleans Bap-

tist Theological Seminary. There he learned that numbers of churches had suffered a loss of envelopes. BBS Envelope Service immediately decided to extend the offer to any church that had had 1966 envelopes from the service damaged by Betsy.

So far, four churches in the New Orleans area have been helped, with over 3,000 sets of envelopes being replaced at a total value of over \$550. BBS Envelope Service is not only replacing the sets but is paying shipping charges also.

Three Reasons For Reading

By Henry Ward Beecher

I read for three things: first to know what the world has done during the last twenty-four hours; and is about to do today; second, for the knowledge that I specially want in my work; and third, for what will bring my mind into a proper mood.

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ADULT THRUST YEAR 2

AN INTERPRETATION SPECIAL LESSON UNIT: BEARING OUR WITNESS FOR CHRIST

I. WHAT?

A special Bible study unit of thirteen lessons is being prepared on the theme Bearing Our Witness For Christ.

The unit will be organized into five smaller units: "The Bible, Book of Proclamation," "Witnesses to Christ," "A Witnessing Church," "Results and Rewards of Witnessing," and "The Continuing Need for Witnesses."

To stimulate and enhance learning, the teaching procedures will include suggestions for five unit posters. Members will be asked to indicate on each poster appropriate learning activities and to commit themselves to the one each individual feels he needs most.

There will be both a teacher's edition of the unit and a member's edition. The price will be 42 cents and 30 cents respectively. In addition, there will be a study guide for members to use in preparation of the lesson at home. The cost will be 22 cents.

II. WHO?

The unit is designed for use in both Adult and Young People's classes. Other uses by homebound persons, Cradle Roll parents, and prospects are suggested on page 27 of the December 1965, issue of *The Sunday School Builder*.

III. WHEN?

The unit Bearing Our Witness for Christ will be listed on the regular church literature order form for the first quarter, 1966. It also will appear on order forms for succeeding quarters so that churches will have an opportunity to see it other than in January - March, 1966.

IV. WHY?

The special unit has been designed to assist the churches in teaching what the Bible says about proclamation and witness. It will be especially helpful in implementing the Convention - wide emphasis on proclamation and witness in 1965-66.

The stated unit purpose is: "to arouse in us a conviction that the very nature of the gospel demands its proclamation, and to stimulate us to bear our witness for Christ to all persons in every possible way."

V. HOW?

If by the time the Adult worker reads this material, his pastor and general superintendent have not mentioned the possibility of using the unit, it would be appropriate for him to explore this possibility with these leaders.

It should be made clear that the unit is to be substituted for the regular lessons in the Adult periodicals if the church desires to use it.

Many pastors will want to lead their churches to note in business session that the Adult and Young People's classes will use the material.

When the Adult superintendent and/or teacher has secured permission for the use of the special unit, he will want to begin discussing the plan with his fellow workers. It would be well for the superintendent to provide a preview study of the unit, using the helps in the December, 1965, issue of *The Sunday School Builder*.

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Assignment: Quito

By Stanley D. Stamps
Missionary to Ecuador

Amid its own noisy exhaust, the big jet aircraft gently touched down on the runway and taxied to a halt. Back at the terminal, a group of Baptist young people, church leaders, and missionaries were eagerly awaiting the arrival of one of the first missionary journeymen sent out by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

It was not long until tall, lanky Oklahoman James M. Rinker made his way through immigration and customs to be received by his new friends in Quito, Ecuador, his home for the next two years.

Months had passed since he had decided to participate in the Missionary Journeyman Program, a new experiment in short-term mission service. During this time, there were application, processing, provisional acceptance, an eight-week training program in Richmond, Va., a commissioning service, and a brief visit with family and friends. Now, he found himself in a completely different environment and among new friends speaking a language which he could barely make out as Spanish.

Upon his return, Mr. Rinker said that at each stop made by the bus, Indians proffered their wares and edibles. Unfamiliar with what they were selling, he did not eat. Later he learned that it was large, boiled beans, eaten after removal of the outside husk.

The next week found the journeyman helping with games and recreation at children's camps. Here, again, he smiled his way through what he could not communicate in Spanish.

Little did he realize how helpful he was to be to the missionaries. He was assigned to Quito to teach English to some 175 girls and boys in the Baptist primary school and to work with university students at the Baptist student center. But these are only his major assignments.

He arrived in the middle of a nation-wide evangelistic crusade and quickly learned something of the work by visiting in several Quito churches.

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the smallest of these, a little girl, drew his attention. As he tried to persuade her to come to him, she put two pieces of candy into his hand.

"I returned one of them, and together we shared her small gift," he said. "At this moment I realized from this small child that I, too, could share warmth and friendship through actions."

The week following his arrival he journeyed down the western slope of the Andes Mountains to the booming banana capital, Santo Domingo de los Colorados, to help Missionary James C. Muse, Jr., with a tent revival being conducted by a newly formed Baptist group. A reception was planned for him in Quito for the week after his arrival, and he returned alone by bus.

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Threatening to apply for a mover's license, Mr. Rinker helped to move missionaries three times in two weeks. This was not in the original plans for the journeyman, but when there is a job to be done, journeyman as well as missionary pitches in to do it.

"My few days here have been filled with meetings, moving, camps, and learning my way around the city," he said. "I am anticipating the beginning of school and the part I will play in the teaching of the children of Quito."

Missionaries on the field are quite encouraged by the potential of the Journeyman Program, for it offers immediate relief in areas of great need to which the existing staff is unable to attend.

Blue Mountain's High School

Week End Dates Changed!

The recently released Blue Mountain College Calendar listed High School Week End for the dates of November 12-14. By wisdom of the college Calendar Committee, dates for the important event have been set for November 19-21, availing the many high school junior and senior guests of the opportunity of hearing the annual piano concert to be played by the nationally and internationally known duo pianists, Nelson and Neal, the most famous husband and wife piano team in America.

The concert will be played on the evening of November 19, at 8:00 p.m. in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium. The public is cordially invited to attend the concert, and it will be one of the featured programs presented for the special pleasure of all High School Week End guests.

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Samson: Misusing God's Gifts

By Clifton J. Allen
Judges 13:2 to 16:31

The story of Samson is depressing. Though Samson is a negative example, the truth to be learned from his life is of utmost relevance. He was born a Nazirite and endowed by God with tremendous strength. He used his strength, however, for thrilling, stuntlike feats. Samson was involved repeatedly with unfaithful women and finally was the victim of Delilah's treachery whereby his strength was lost. Samson—called the strongest man, but how weak!

**The Lesson Explained
CONSECRATED TO GOD
(13:2-5, 24)**

An angel of the Lord made known to the wife of Manoah that, though she was barren, she would yet bear a son, who would "begin to deliver Israel out of the hand of the Philistines." This same heavily messenger strictly charged the woman to take no strong drink and directed that the son to be born should be consecrated to God from his birth. He was to be a Nazirite, that is, he was to be consecrated to God; and abstinence from strong drink and the leaving of his hair uncut were to be the signs.

God fulfilled his promise: in due time, Samson was born. He grew to manhood, and the Spirit of God rested on him. Samson knew that he had been consecrated to God by his parents, and we can safely assume that Samson accepted for himself the Nazirite vow. This vow meant separation from all means of defilement, abstinence from fleshly lusts, and self-discipline for the sake of purity and service of God. Samson, therefore, should have felt the moral obligation of a holy commitment. He kept the vow outwardly, to the degree of not cutting his hair, but he came far short in terms of spiritual fidelity before the Lord.

STRENGTH MISUSED AND LOST (16:4, 15-21)

The narrative of Samson's exploits, from early manhood onward, describes the misuse of strength. He manifested a weakness for women, which involved him with the Philistines and ultimately led to his downfall. The last of his love affairs was with Delilah. She was bribed by the Philistines to entice Samson to reveal the secret of his strength. Day after day she besought him. Repeatedly, he gave her false answers. Finally, he opened his heart to her and disclosed that he was a Nazirite. While he had in no sense kept the vow of purity, he had kept the vow that his hair should not be cut. While Samson slept, Delilah had a man come and cut the hair from his head. Samson was thus cut away from God, the source of his strength. The Philistines came and overpowered him, put out his eyes, bound him with fetters, and made him a menial slave to grind grain. By allowing himself to become involved with temptation and confiding in one whom he knew to be treacherous, Samson opened the way to ruin.

STRENGTH REGAINED AND SPENT

The closing scene of Samson's life (vv. 21-31) should be considered. We read that "the hair of his head began to grow again." This is a symbol of renewed recognition of God and of renewal of his strength. On an occasion when the lords of the Philistines gathered for a great sacrifice to Dagon their god, they used Samson to make sport for them. When they praised their god for delivering Samson into their hands, Samson's heart was filled with a desire for revenge. He earnestly prayed to God that the full measure of his strength be restored. Samson then used all the strength he possessed to pull down the central pillars and thus pull down the house upon himself and three thousand men and women of the Philistines. We can learn from Samson's tragic death that strength lost by separation from God can be regained by turning back to God in penitent spirit.

Truths to Live By

Evil companions lead persons into weakness.—This is true with respect to physical weakness and moral weakness. Examples are numerous. Both youth and adults are enticed by companions and led to form sinful habits which contribute to dis-

deaden their consciences, and lead them in the way toward moral corruption and spiritual downfall and, often, toward physical weakness. This evil is just one of many related evils striking at the moral structure of our nation's life. Every vicious force which makes it harder for boys and girls and young people and men and women to be honest and pure and godly is a curse. Every evil influence or practice which makes it harder for persons to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ and to follow him is a threat to our nation's life.

FRANK HARMON was recently licensed to the gospel ministry by Marion Church. He is in his Junior year at Mississippi College. Rev. Richard B. Smith is Marion pastor.

vorous numbers which depict the Many Moods of Faith.

Word Records has presented two albums featuring the voice of the late John Charles Thomas who became known across the nation for his ministry with the King's Men Quartet. The albums are **THIS I LEAVE YOU**—John Charles Thomas (W-3276-LP) and **FAVORITE HYMNS OF JOHN CHARLES THOMAS** (W-3278-LP). Each album includes 14 selections of some of the most beloved hymns of the Christian world. There is not a new or unfamiliar number on either record.

GOD'S LOVE SUSTAINS ME—Sam Allen (Word W-3214-LP) A beloved full-time music evangelist, well known in Baptist churches throughout the South and Southwest, presents some of his favorite solos. The arrangements are distinctive and the accompaniment by Lew Charles is outstanding. **SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER**—Burl Ives (Word W-3339-LP) presents a popular folk singer singing some of the old time gospel songs.

New Sacred Records

FROM LONDON . . . HURT KAISER'S SWEEPING STRINGS (Word W-3201-LP)

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FEATURE RECORDS

MISS AMERICA — **Van Dyke in Teenage Diary** (Word W-3201-LP)

An unusual record for young people taken from the sound track of the film "Teenage Diary", in which Miss America of 1964 was one of the stars. Includes introductory remarks concerning Miss Van Dyke by Dave Grant, a Youth for Christ Evangelist, and a telephone interview with Miss Van Dyke in which her testimony given at last Year's Miss America Contest, is repeated.

VOCAL ALBUMS

BILLY GRAHAM'S FAVORITES — George Beverly

Shea (RCA Victor Mono LPM-3346) is a new album presenting America's beloved gospel singer in some of his finest numbers. **The Touch of His Hand On Mine**, **The Lord's My Shepherd**, **Standing on the Promises**, **And Can It Be**, and **When I Get To The End of The Way**, are among the numbers which will make this a valued addition to any Shea collection of records. Another new Shea album is **THE BEST OF GEORGE BEVERLEY SHEA** (RCA Victor LPM-2032) which includes **Blessed Assurance**, **Deep River**, **Until Then**, **How Great Thou Art**, **Somewhere Bigger Than You and I**, and several others.

Among other new vocal albums recently received is **GREAT MOMENTS OF SACRED MUSIC** by Jerome Hines (Word W-3273-LP) in which the great singer presents some of the finest old hymns, and some newer ones, in tremendous effectiveness. Another is **YOU'LL NEVER WALK ALONE** by Solomon King (RCA Victor, LPM-2985) in which the "Golden Voice" presents fa-

Parkway, Kosciusko, Breaks Ground For Second Unit

Parkway Church, Kosciusko, celebrated their fifth year by letting a contract for approximately \$75,000, to construct the second unit of their educational building. The following Sunday, October 10, they held a ground-breaking ceremony after the morning service.

The new building will house two Beginner departments,

BMC To Present "Saint Joan"

Miss Patricia Moore, director of the Department of Speech of Blue Mountain College, has announced that the fall production for the current session will be "Saint Joan", written by George Bernard Shaw.

The first performance will be given on November 11, at 8:00 p.m. in Garrett Auditorium. This performance will be given primarily for students, faculty, and staff of the college.

The play will be presented, also on two additional evenings, November 12 and 13, at 8:00 p.m. in Garrett Auditorium. These performances are for the convenience of local people, out-of-town visitors, a lumnæ and others who would like to attend.

College and high school student tickets will be sold for 75¢ and those for adults will sell for \$1.00.

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Main

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(Rankin)

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Pascagoula, Eastlawn

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Rev. O. G. Renfro

Is Ordained

On October 10, Friendship Church, Aberdeen, ordained Rev. O. G. Renfro to the full gospel ministry.

A native of Monroe County, Mr. Renfro was licensed to preach by the Emmanuel Church of Ocean Springs. He is now pastor of Athens Church near Aberdeen.

At the ordination service, Rev. Joseph Oliver, Monroe County superintendent of missions, gave the charge to the candidate and presented the Bible. Rev. H. W. Ayers, pastor of Friendship Church, delivered the ordination sermon. Ralph Wilemon, chairman of deacons, led the ordination prayer.

Peru Missionary To Speak At Liberty Church

Rev. Marvin E. Fitts, missionary to Lima, Peru, will be guest speaker at Liberty Church (Pontotoc) in the morning service, October 31.

Mr. Fitts, born in Pontotoc County, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fitts.

He received his BS degree from Union University and Master's degree from Southwestern Seminary. He studied language in Costa Rica.

He married the former Jean Carlyle, who received her BS degree from Union University and Master's degree from Southwestern Seminary.

Mr. Fitts and his family are now at home in Memphis for a one-year leave.

Rev. Lonnie Bell is pastor of Liberty Church.

DEVOTIONAL

God's Eternal Word

By Rev. Paul Harwood, Pastor, Lyon Church

"The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand forever."—Isaiah 40:8

Soon now the first frost will form. The summer grass will turn brown and wither. Already summer's profusion of blossoming flowers has faded. Though, perhaps, we long for the flowers to remain unfading, we expect them to pass away. But we can expect the Word of God to remain unfading.

God has preserved His word for us. The Word of God has been neglected during periods of time, so neglected that it became a hidden book. But there has always been a Hilkiah to say, "I have found the book." Man's desire to preserve tradition and superstition has unsuccessfully attempted to thwart God's preservation of His Word. God has raised up those whose keen search for truth reopened the closed Bible. Even those who have tried to burn the Book have found that no search is thorough enough to find all the copies, nor any bonfire big enough to burn all the copies of God's word. If it were even possible to destroy the copies, God's Word could be recopied from the memory of thousands of people.

We can count on God's Word being true and remaining true. It will stand forever. "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." (Matthew 24:35). God's Word is trustworthy. We find the rotation of the earth to be quite dependable. Mariners have relied through the ages upon the fixed positions of the heavenly bodies. Our Lord assures us of the even greater reliability of His Word.

God's Word has stood the fires of the critical crucible and no dross discovered. What looked like dross has always turned out to be a spot on the eyeball of the beholder. The Word has passed the test.

God's Word will not pass away, for it is eternal.

NOVEMBER SERMON TOPICS

"Wonderful Words Of Life"

"The Baptist Hour" sermons for November, produced and directed by the Radio-TV Commission will follow the theme "Wonderful Words of Life." Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, is the Baptist Hour minister.

Dr. Hobbs has chosen the following sermon topics for November 7, 14, 21, and 28: "The Ministry of Reconciliation," "Under Double Lock and Key," "One Out of Ten," and "Which Road Are You Traveling?"

four with ten years; three with eleven years; one with twelve years; one with thirteen years; one with fourteen years; one with fifteen years; and two with sixteen years. Rev. Robert Martin is pastor.

Flora Church ordained Thomas S. Rowland as deacon on October 3. He will serve along with nine other deacons. Mr. Rowland is a rural mail carrier in the Flora area and is the son of Mrs. J. A. Rowland. Rev. James Walker is pastor at Flora.

ZION OPPOSES FEDERAL AID

The Zion Association, meeting at First Church, Eupora, on October 19, voted "to go on record as opposing the acceptance of federal funds by Baptist institutions."

A letter to presidents and trustees of the state Baptist institutions declared: "We believe that separation of church and state is in accordance with Bible teaching and acceptance of these funds would mean abandonment of that principle and eventual loss of control of these institutions."

Taylorsville Calls Music Minister

Wayne Lowe, a native of Birmingham, Alabama, has accepted the call to First Church, Taylorsville, as minister of music.

Mr. Lowe attended Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Florida. He is now a Junior at Mississippi College.

His service and experience have been in the following churches of Alabama: Trinity Church, Montgomery; Boyles Church, Birmingham; Beechwood Church, Birmingham; Calvary Church, Dothan; in Florida, First Church, Lynn Haven.

After finishing college, he plans to attend New Orleans Seminary. Mr. Lowe is married to the former Betty Jean Horsley of Birmingham.

Rev. George W. Horn is pastor of First, Taylorsville.

Mrs. Mathis Loses Mother

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Mrs. T. D. Wiley of Wichita Falls, Texas, the mother of Mrs. R. L. Mathis, died October 21. Funeral services were conducted at the First Christian Church, Wichita Falls October 22. Mrs. Mathis is director of the promotion division of Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham.

Goncalves, of Porto, president of the Convention and named him to represent Portugal on the executive committee of the Baptist World Alliance.



ON OCTOBER 3, Flora Church licensed Richard Morgan to the ministry. Richard, a freshman at Mississippi College, is a recent graduate of Flora High School and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morgan of Flora. The Flora Church had two boys to surrender to the ministry during September. Wayne Robertson, the second one, was licensed in his father's church at Bakersfield, California. He is a sophomore at Mississippi College and is presently serving as music and youth director of Flora Church. Wayne is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. O. B. Robertson. Pictured are Rev. James E. Walker, left, Flora pastor, and Richard Morgan.

TWO FROM STATE APPOINTED AS SOCIAL WORK INTERNS

NEW ORLEANS — Two Mississippi students have been appointed by the Executive Committee of the Home Mission Board to serve as social work interns in New Orleans Missions centers.

Ellen Voncille Rushing of Union, and Shirley Ann Smith of Pascagoula, both working toward a Master of Religious Education degree at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, were among four students chosen for this year's program. The internship program is sponsored jointly by the Home Mission Board and the seminary.

For the training, the seminary offers two semester hours credit per semester. The student is enrolled in a clinical course, making progress reports to the professor, and having periodic conferences.

The program was begun by the Home Mission Board and the seminary in 1963.

REFLECTIONS

The New Zealand Crusade

By Rev. L. Vernon Sisco,
Pastor East Corinth Church,
Corinth

Note: Rev. L. Vernon Sisco, pastor of East Corinth Church, and Dr. L. Gordon Sansing, Director of Evangelism, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, were the only two Mississippians who took part in the recent New Zealand Evangelistic Crusade. In Alcorn Association, Mr. Sisco is associational Chairman of Evangelism, and member of the Missions Committee.



Dr. Eual Lawson and Dr. John Havlik of the Department of Evangelism of Atlanta, Georgia. There were 111 pastors and denominational workers from America who made the trip to the beautiful land of the South Pacific—"the land down under." The welcome that we received was the greatest and we never felt that we were among strangers. The people responded to the Gospel calls with deep sincerity. The needs are tremendous and the people are hungry for a vital and dynamic faith.

BAPTISTS are few in number in New Zealand: 145 churches with a membership of less than 17,000. The quality of the people is most heartening. EVERY BAPTIST IN NEW ZEALAND IS A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE HE LIVES! We never had to give an invitation for Baptists



W. C. Blanton

WARREN CALLS MISSIONARY

Rev. W. C. Blanton has been called as part time superintendent of missions of Warren County Association, effective November 1, after having served the Bowmar Avenue Church, Vicksburg, as part time associate pastor for over eight years.

Mr. Blanton graduated in Agricultural engineering, receiving a B. S. degree, from Mississippi State University in 1940. He surrendered to preach in 1952 and was ordained in 1953. That year he graduated from Mississippi



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REVIVAL RESULTS

COLUMBUS, First: October 10-17; Dr. Angel Martinez, evangelist of Fort Smith, Arkansas; Frank Boggs, musician of Atlanta, Georgia; 76 additions to the church, 40 for baptism; scores of rededications. Dr. S. R. Woodson, pastor.

to move their membership. During the two weeks of the Crusade there were 4,039 decisions for Christ—an average of one decision for every four Baptists. A revival was experienced throughout the land.

Pastors of the churches freely voiced the conviction that "this crusade is the greatest thing that has ever happened to our Baptist work here and will beyond question go down in our history as one of the greatest experiences of our Baptist life."

The crusade not only served as a blessing to the people there, but it made a difference in our work here in America. This is part of the "break-through" that under God MUST now happen all over and around the whole world! Our field is the world and if we localize the gospel in America we are sure to paralyze its power and I fear this has already happened in many parts of our great land.

It was my joy to serve in two of the churches in New Zealand: THE MIRAMAR and BROOKLYN Baptist Churches of Wellington—the capital city of New Zealand. There were 126 decisions for Christ in the two churches, plus two young men who answered the call to preach and two young ladies who surrendered to Christian work. The spirit of REVIVAL was on when we arrived in Wellington.

The people had been planning and praying for a revival for more than one year. Expectations were high, preaching was easy, and the spirit of revival was evident on every hand. I shall never forget the experience! I have been asked to return in 1967 for a Crusade in the North Island and another in the South Island. I am making my plans to go and render whatever service I can.

Forest Seeks Minister Of Music, Education

At a recent business meeting, the Forest Church voted to add a full-time minister of music and education to its staff.

Growth in several phases of the church life makes such an acquisition a desirable one and it is the hope of the church that this position will be filled in the near future, states the pastor, Dr. H. D. Smith, Jr.

A committee has been appointed to begin looking for this person and it includes James M. Adden, Chairman, Luther Atkins, Fred Gaddis, Mrs. Edna Earl Gibson, and Mrs. Josephine Lackey.

The committee has acquired the services of Syd Doty to serve as interim music director.

College, with a B. A. degree, and in 1956 he received the M.R.E. degree from Southwestern Seminary.

He has served pastorates in Mississippi and Arkansas, and has been dean and teacher for the Warren County Mississippi Baptist Seminary Center.

The Ackerman native has been active in associational work since moving to Vicksburg. He and his wife have two children.

NIGERIAN MISSIONARIES EXHIBIT ARTIFACTS

Dr. and Mrs. I. N. Patterson, missionaries to Nigeria for the past forty years, display a large, elaborate native costume at a recent missionary tea on the campus of Southern Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. Dr. Patterson is serving as a visiting professor of missions at the seminary, which is his alma mater. They are on furlough prior to a 1966 retirement.



WILLIAM CAREY COLLEGE students Mack Loper and Pat Clements begin hanging out the "welcome" sign for the school's annual High School Day to be held November 6. Starting at 9 AM a full day's activities have been planned to both entertain and inform visiting high school students from all over Mississippi and from adjoining states. The freshman class of Carey has been delegated as "official hosts" for the day.

4 New Churches

Four additional churches became affiliated with the Portuguese Baptist Convention during its 31st annual meeting, held at Coimbra Baptist Church, in Coimbra, Portugal.

In Portugal

October 4-6. This brings the number of churches cooperating with the Convention to 27. The 78 messengers, from 26 churches, who attended the meeting reelected Rev. Jose



Delbert H. McNease

State Native New Worker At BSSB

NASHVILLE — Delbert H. McNease, native of Laurel, recently began work as an accounting assistant on the Baptist Sunday School Board's ac-

counting and date processing staff in the office of management services.

For six years before going to the board, McNease worked for the International Paper Co.'s Moss Point Mill. While working in Moss Point, he was superintendent of the Sunday School at Escatawpa (Miss.) Baptist Church.



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